



## **Revenue Forecast Calls for Slight Revenue Increase**

The state's top economists met to estimate the state's revenues going forward for the rest of fiscal year 2006 (FY2006) and fiscal year 2007 (FY2007). FY2006 is expected to have a surplus of \$116 million in the General Fund (GF). As for FY2007, revenues are expected to fall short of expenditures (based on FY2006 funding) by about \$103 million GF. While FY2006 looks stable, it appears that another round of budget season cuts is in store for FY2007.

## **Senator Kuipers Announces Graduation Requirement Hearing Dates**

**January 19:** State Superintendent Mike Flanagan's presentation to the Committee in Lansing at 2:00 p.m. Address: 125 West Allegan, Room 210, Lansing, MI 48933.

**January 30:** Public hearing at the Muskegon ISD at 3:00 p.m. Address: 630 Harvey Street, Muskegon, MI 49442.

**February 9:** Public hearing at the Kent County ISD at 7:00 p.m. Address: 1655 E. Beltline NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525

**February 16:** Public hearing at the Midland County Educational Service Agency (ESA) at 4:30 p.m. Address: 3917 Jefferson, Midland, MI 48640

**February 20:** Public hearing at the Kalamazoo RESA at 10:30 a.m. Address: 1819 East Milham Rd., Kalamazoo, MI 49002

**March 3:** Public hearing at the Macomb ISD at 10:00 a.m. Address: 44001 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038

**March 3:** Public hearing in Port Huron at the Port Huron High School at 3:00 p.m. Address: 2215 Court St., Port Huron, MI 48060.

## **District Office Hours**

Senator Kuipers invites residents of the thirtieth senatorial district (30) to meet with him to discuss concerns regarding state government. The next open meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 20 at the Coffee Grounds from 9:00am – 10:00am. Coffee Grounds is located at 41 Washington Street in Grand Haven.